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AUGUST 14 UPDATE: WELCOME TO GETTING STARTED WEEKEND AT CEDARVILLE!

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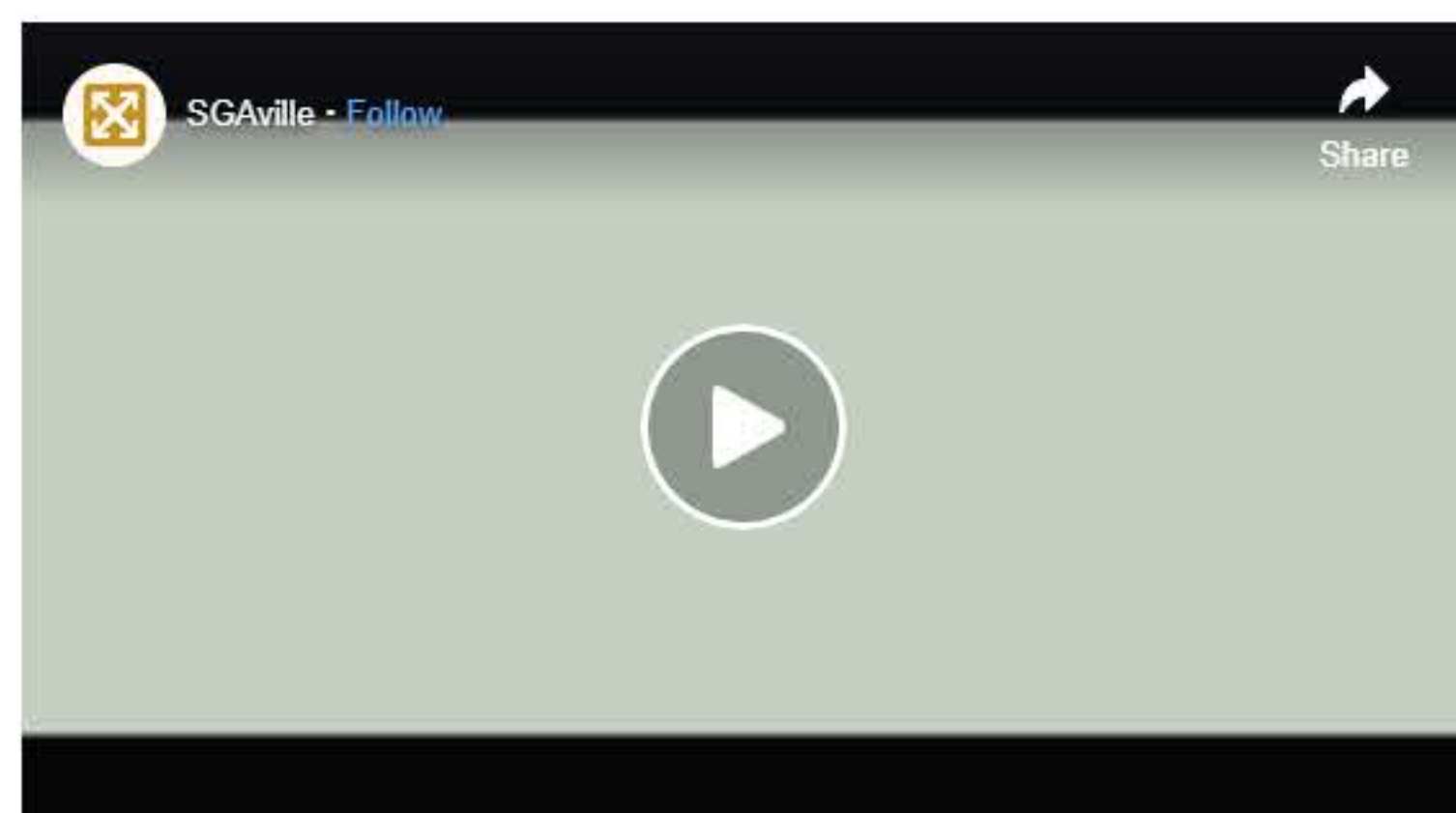
Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise! Give thanks to him; bless his name! (Psalm 100:4)

After months of planning and praying, we are so thankful to the Lord for the beginning of another academic year. Even during these uncertain times, He has been faithful! We are so excited to welcome students and their families to campus this weekend.

Today's update includes:

- Video from the Campus Experience team and SGA (Student Government Association) with important Caring Well information
- Livestreaming Getting Started sessions
- Fall Bible Conference
- Caring for our community and following Ohio's mask mandate
- How to avoid the crowds at dining facilities
- Granting parent discussion access to student accounts
- Welcoming parents to campus this fall
- Recreation Center policies for fall
- How to get answers to your questions

We start today with a **video from SGA** with important Caring Well information. Hear from campus student leaders as they talk about Getting Started, classes, life in the residence halls, what to do if you're not feeling well, and much more!



And, remember — as excited as we are to welcome you home this weekend — please do not come to campus if you are ill or or know you have been exposed within the last 14 days to a close contact with COVID-19. Email registrar@cedarville.edu to make arrangements for your delayed return, and contact University Medical Services at [937-766-7862](tel:937-766-7862) so they can assist with any health questions. We will be glad to work with you!

Livestreaming Getting Started Sessions – Since seats in the Getting Started presentation venues will be limited to allow for physical distancing, you will be able to access livestreams using links from the [Getting Started Weekend calendar](#) or through the [Getting Started app](#). Following are the available sessions and times:

- Parenting From a Distance – Aug. 14, 2-3 p.m.
- Life Outside the Classroom – Aug. 15, 10-11 a.m.
- It's Academic – Aug. 15, 1-2 p.m.
- Chick-fil-A Dedication – Aug. 15, 2-3 p.m. (also streaming to [Facebook Live](#))
- Jacket Jaunt – Aug. 15, 6-7 p.m. (also streaming to [Facebook Live](#))
- Getting Started Program – Aug. 15, 7-9 p.m. (also streaming to [Facebook Live](#))

Fall Bible Conference – We are excited about our upcoming Fall Bible Conference, held outdoors this year for the first time ever (weather permitting). We will welcome Nathan Lino, Senior Pastor at Northeast Houston Baptist Church, as our guest speaker. Sessions will be August 17-19 at 10 a.m. and 7 p.m. and August 20 at 10 a.m. Tuesday morning's session will be a special time of prayer for racial unity around Cedar Lake. You can watch via livestream at cedarville.edu/chapellive or [Facebook Live](#). Please pray that God would work in powerful ways in the hearts of our students as we kick off the year around God's Word.

Masks On! – As we seek to care well for others and be a good testimony in our community, be sure to wear your mask in any indoor venue as well as outdoors if you can't keep a 6-foot distance. You can learn more about [Ohio's mask mandate](#) online.

Monitoring Dining Facilities Crowd Size – In an effort to control crowds at each of our dining facilities and protect our campus community, we have created an all-new [Crowd Checker](#) web page that allows you to monitor how busy each dining area is at any given time. The Crowd Checker will monitor crowd sizes for the dining hall, Stinger's, Chick-fil-A and Tossed, and both Grab+Go stations (BTS and CAL). Bookmark it now on your favorite device!

Granting Account Discussion Rights to Parents – Federal regulations ([FERPA](#)) require that in order for parents to speak with campus office staff members about their student's account, the student must first grant discussion permission to the parent and then establish a "code word" that the parent will use when contacting Cedarville. To set this up, the student needs to access the [Manage Privacy Permissions](#) screen in CedarInfo and click "Grant Discussion Permission" and "Grant Consent" on the parent's name. Then, mark the offices parents may speak to on the student's behalf and select a "code word." Parents will need to provide this word before speaking to offices on campus, such as the Cashiers Office or Financial Aid.

Returning students, as a reminder, your privacy permission expired August 1. You must also access the [Manage Privacy Permissions](#) screen in CedarInfo to regrant your parents permission to speak on your behalf. You may keep the same "code word," however.

Parents Visiting Campus – Although we had to cancel Homecoming and Parents Weekend due to a desire to limit large groups on campus this fall, parents — as always — are welcome to visit their student on campus throughout the semester. Parents, please plan to follow the Caring Well, Staying Well, best practices as you spend time with your student so we can continue to prioritize the health of our campus community during this COVID season. You are an important part of our community, and we welcome you to visit anytime!

Campus Recreation – In light of COVID-19 restrictions, Campus Recreation has [altered program offerings and updated facility policies](#) to mitigate the spread of the virus within our campus community.

Getting Answers to Your Questions – If you have questions about our Caring Well, Staying Well, plan as we go through the semester, here's how to reach us:

- Email caringwell@cedarville.edu
- Use the [Contact Us form](#) at cedarville.edu/caringwell

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David W. Burns says:

[August 15, 2020 at 1:03 am](#)

Hi,
Can you give me some information about the October Fall break on the 17th-20th. Has it been cancelled?
Thanks,
David

Sarah says:

[August 15, 2020 at 1:11 am](#)

Hello, David! Classes begin on August 17 and they end on November 25 for Christmas break. There is not fall break this year. Please review the calendar [here](#).

Heather Murch says:

[August 14, 2020 at 3:06 pm](#)

The video doesn't see to be working.

Sarah says:

[August 14, 2020 at 3:10 am](#)

Hello, Heather! [Try this link!](#)

David Nowery says:

[August 14, 2020 at 9:48 am](#)

There is no video from SGA on this Web page.

Kelly says:

[August 14, 2020 at 10:02 am](#)

Hello, David. If you cannot see the video on the blog, it is available [here](#).

Fiona says:

[August 14, 2020 at 9:00 am](#)

Could you please elaborate on the cancellation of Homecoming? I must have missed this when you announced it.

Kelly says:

[August 14, 2020 at 10:00 am](#)

Hello, Fiona. You can find the announcement about the cancellation of fall events in the July 14 Caring Well, [update](#). Hope that helps!

Paula Decker says:

[August 14, 2020 at 8:33 am](#)

Will there be a place for students to check their own temperature if they do not have a digital thermometer?

Kelly says:

[August 14, 2020 at 10:06 am](#)

Hi, Paula. We will not be providing thermometers. We recommend students purchase their own before coming to campus.

Date checker says:

[August 14, 2020 at 8:09 am](#)

I think August 20 is a Thursday for the end of the Bible conference

Kelly says:

[August 14, 2020 at 10:03 am](#)

Hello, Yes, Thursday, August 20 is the last day of our Fall Bible Conference.

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